



Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 6

Meeting Date: January 3, 2007
Meeting Location: Miami County Office

Council Members Present: Chair Glynn Hipp, DCS Regional Manager, Anita Closson, Cass County Director, Chris Ackerman, Fulton County Director, Marilyn Robinson, Howard County Director, Ramona Mahoney, Fulton FCM, Judge Lynn Murray, Howard County, Judge McCallen, Wabash County.

Council Members Absent: Cassie Bault, Miami FCM Supervisor, Ruby Troglen, Fulton Foster Parent, and Barbara Hendrickson, GAL

Others In Attendance: Fay Russell, Miami DCS Director, Margie Justice, Wabash DCS Director, Kim Kellar, Community Partners for Child Safety, Beth Eiler, Children's Bureau VP, Judge Douglas Morton, Fulton County, Judge Julian Ridlen, Cass County, Judge Elect Leo Burns, Cass County.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 4:00 P.M. by Chair Glynn Hipp

1. December's RSC meeting minutes were reviewed and the following changes need to be made: Judge Douglas Morton was listed under Council Members Present and Absent. Judge Morton was at this meeting. Also under section five - Children's Bureau should be Community Partner's.
2. The next meeting and any future meetings will be by teleconference unless the council needs to vote or interview someone. Judge Burns has approved using his number for Teleconference purposes. Thank you Judge Burns.
3. Community Partners for Child Safety – the MOU's between Children's Bureau and the Community Partner Service Providers have been approved. Even though they are waiting on the written approval with Four County, they do have a verbal approval in place. We are now able to make referrals for these services, and Kim Kellar is excited about starting her work. If you should need to reach Kim Kellar, she now has a toll free number: 1-866-431-4459. She has already set up dates to speak with Cass, Fulton, Miami, and Howard County. She will soon set up a date with Wabash County. Currently, Community Partners has the services they offer set up to be provided for a period of four months. If the family wants to reenroll, they can for another four month period.

4. Strategic Plan – Very few Regions submitted their Strategic Plans before the deadline, so Central decided to postpone the deadline. Our Region was the first submitted and the first that was tentatively approved. Congratulations to everyone on your hard work! Central now needs two things: Justification and Approval of the MOU's from the council. Glynn would like to re-approve the MOU's. They were reviewed as follows:

Cass –

Apple Blossoms Mentoring Program Contracted Amount \$5,000.00
Father to Father Program Contracted Amt – Zero Based, \$60.00 per group
Alternative School Contracted Amt – Zero Based, \$25.00 per day per student
Four County Contracted Amount \$155.00 per Counselor per diem.
Cass County Council on Aging – Zero Based, \$11.00 per hour 1 extra pass
\$1.50
Funds without a Contract Claim Voucher Program \$3,000.00
Nurturing Program Material - \$3,000.00

Fulton –

Alternative School – Matching Funding \$25,000.00
WrapAround - \$25,000.00
Pack-A-Back Pack Program - \$500.00
CAP Activities - \$500.00
Home Studies - \$200.00
Foster Parent Appreciation Activities - \$1500.00
Emergency Help - \$2,000.00
HH Hygiene Supplies, Safety Supplies and Misc. - \$1,000.00

Howard –

Preventative Individual Svs - \$35,000.00
Smoke Alarms/Carbon Monoxide Detectors - \$1,000.00
Supplies for Head Lice, Hygiene, and Housekeeping - \$2,000.00
Child Abuse/Neglect Awareness, Prevention, and Education
Activities/Materials - \$3,000.00
Community Partners Program, Children's Bureau - \$7,200.00

Miami –

Alternative School - \$11,000.00
Emergency Prevention Services – \$900.00
Right Relations - \$10,000.00
WrapAround - \$51,600.00

Wabash –

First Light Child Advocacy Center - \$15,000.00

Parent Nurturing Program - \$15,000.00

Attendance/Truancy Meditation - \$5,000.00

Day Reporting Program - \$5,000.00

Body Safety Program - \$5,000.00

Addition Funds - \$4,400.00 – This will cover Home Studies and Staffings with Providers

Anita moved and Ramona seconded to approve MOU's. The RSC voted to approve the MOU's.

5. The Steering Committee still needs a few more members, ideally they would like to have one person from each county. Right now they have two people that have confirmed to be a part of the Steering Committee: Vickie Bird with Cass County and Don Travis with Howard County. Please let Kim Kellar know of anyone that might be interested.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: Wednesday, February 7, 2007 @ 4:00 p.m. by Teleconference. Please call 574-732-1387.

Meeting Adjourned: Hearing no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.